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**MILWAUKEE COUNTY EMS
OPERATIONAL POLICY
TRANSPORT DESTINATION**

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POLICY: Patients are to be transported to the closest, most appropriate, open receiving hospital, taking into consideration:

- Patient's medical condition;
- Patient's request;
- Location of regular care, primary medical doctor and/or medical records;
- Insurance/HMO.

Patients in need of specialty care should be transported to the closest appropriate receiving facility, based on the following information:

Medical Emergencies :		
Aurora: Grafton Sinai St. Luke's – Milwaukee St. Luke's – South Shore West Allis Memorial/Women's Pavilion Children's Hospital and Health System Children's Hospital of Wisconsin	Columbia St. Mary's (CSM): Milwaukee Ozaukee Froedtert Health: Community Memorial Froedtert ProHealth Care: Waukesha Memorial	Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare (WFH): All Saints (Racine) Elmbrook Memorial Franklin St. Francis St. Joseph The Wisconsin Heart Hospital Zablocki VA Medical Center (VA)
Patient Assessment:	Specialty Hospital:	
STEMI (Acute MI per pre-hospital ECG) or ROSC	Transport to closest open hospital – Aurora Grafton; St. Luke's Milwaukee; Children's Hospital of Wisconsin; CSM-Milwaukee; CSM-Ozaukee; Community Memorial, Froedtert Hospital, Waukesha Memorial; All Saints, Elmbrook Memorial, St. Francis, St. Joseph, WI Heart Hospital	
Stroke Center – Last Known Well (LKW) less than 8 hours	Transport to closest open hospital – Aurora Grafton; Aurora Sinai; St. Luke's Milwaukee; West Allis Memorial; St. Luke's South Shore; Children's Hospital of Wisconsin; CSM-Milwaukee; CSM-Ozaukee; Community Memorial, Froedtert Hospital, Waukesha Memorial; Elmbrook Memorial; St. Francis; St. Joseph	
Need for Trauma Center evaluation Burns and/or possible CO poisoning WITH major/multiple trauma	Children's Hospital of Wisconsin Froedtert Hospital	
Possible CO poisoning with altered mental status, WITHOUT burns/major trauma	Transport to the closest: St. Luke's - Milwaukee	
Significant burns (thermal, chemical or electrical) <i>with or without</i> possible CO poisoning WITHOUT major trauma	CSM - Milwaukee	
Other hyperbaric (air embolism, decompression disease, bends, SCUBA)	Transport to the closest: St. Luke's - Milwaukee	
Major pediatric illness/injury	Children's Hospital of Wisconsin	
Pediatric burns (Age <12)	Children's Hospital of Wisconsin	
Unstable newborns	Transport to the closest Neonatal Intensive Care Unit: Children's Hospital of Wisconsin	St. Joseph CSM - Milwaukee All Saints - Racine
Sexual assault - WITHOUT co-existing life threatening condition	Adults (age 18 and over): Aurora Sinai West Allis Memorial Emergency Department	Children (under age 18): Children's Hospital of Wisconsin
OB patients in labor	1. Facility where patient received their prenatal care is preferred. Hospitals never close to women in labor. <i>For gestational age less than 20 weeks, patient will be evaluated in ED.</i> 2. For imminent delivery, transport to the closest open hospital: Aurora Grafton; Aurora Sinai; West Allis Memorial; CSM-Milwaukee; CSM-Ozaukee; Community Memorial, Froedtert Hospital, Waukesha Memorial; All Saints; Elmbrook Memorial; St. Francis; St. Joseph; WI Heart Hospital	
Psychiatric Emergencies: Medical clearance needed No medical clearance needed/patient is at high risk for harm to self or others, and/or is behaviorally disruptive (should be placed on Emergency Detention) No medical clearance needed/patient is at low risk for harm to self or others (police involvement not required)	Closest Emergency Department Psychiatric Crisis Service of Milwaukee County Behavioral Health Division (PCS) 1. If patient is seen in the Milwaukee County Behavioral Health system (MCBHD), transport to the Psychiatric Crisis Service (PCS) center on a voluntary basis 2. If not a patient of MCBHD, transport to closest ED for mental health evaluation	

NOTES:

- No routine transport to a closed hospital under any circumstances.
- Hospitals providing specialty services never close to their specialty.
- WITrac will post transport instructions for extenuating circumstances

Designation by Hospital

<i>Hospital</i>	<i>MC EMS Stroke Center*</i>	<i>MC EMS PCI Receiving Hospital*</i>
Aurora Grafton	Stroke	STEMI/ROSC
Aurora Sinai	Stroke	
Aurora St. Luke's (Main)	Stroke	STEMI/ROSC
Aurora St. Luke's – South Shore	Stroke	
Aurora West Allis	Stroke	
Children's Hospital of Wisconsin	Stroke	STEMI/ROSC
Columbia St. Mary's - Milwaukee	Stroke	STEMI/ROSC
Columbia St. Mary's – Ozaukee	Stroke	STEMI/ROSC
Froedtert Community Memorial	Stroke	STEMI/ROSC
Froedtert Hospital	Stroke	STEMI/ROSC
Waukesha Memorial	Stroke	STEMI/ROSC
Wheaton Franciscan All Saints (Racine)		STEMI/ROSC
Wheaton Franciscan Elmbrook Memorial	Stroke	STEMI/ROSC
Wheaton Franciscan Franklin		
Wheaton Franciscan St. Francis	Stroke	STEMI/ROSC
Wheaton Franciscan St. Joseph	Stroke	STEMI/ROSC
Wheaton Franciscan Wisconsin Heart Hospital		STEMI/ROSC

Designation by Working Assessment

<i>MC EMS Stroke Center*</i>	<i>MC EMS PCI Receiving Hospital*</i>
Aurora Grafton	Aurora Grafton
Aurora Sinai	
Aurora St. Luke's	Aurora St. Luke's
Aurora St. Luke's – South Shore	
Aurora West Allis	
Children's Hospital of Wisconsin	Children's Hospital of Wisconsin
Columbia St. Mary's - Milwaukee	Columbia St. Mary's - Milwaukee
Columbia St. Mary's – Ozaukee	Columbia St. Mary's – Ozaukee
Froedtert Community Memorial	Froedtert Community Memorial
Froedtert Hospital	Froedtert Hospital
Waukesha Memorial	Waukesha Memorial
	Wheaton Franciscan All Saints (Racine)
Wheaton Franciscan Elmbrook Memorial	Wheaton Franciscan Elmbrook Memorial
Wheaton Franciscan St. Francis	Wheaton Franciscan St. Francis
Wheaton Franciscan St. Joseph	Wheaton Franciscan St. Joseph
	Wheaton Franciscan Wisconsin Heart Hospital

*Hospitals not included in a list do not have designation as receiving hospital for Stroke or STEMI/ROSC